

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application.

Listing of Claims

1-18. (Cancelled)

19. (New) An acidic cleaning block comprising:

- a) citric acid; and
- b) a second acid selected from the group consisting of adipic, succinic,

glutaric, and mixtures thereof.

20. (New) The acidic cleaning block of claim 19, wherein the cleaning block contains up to 20% by weight of water based on the cleaning block as a whole.

21. (New) The acidic cleaning block of claim 19, wherein the cleaning block has up to 3% by weight of water based on the cleaning block as a whole.

22. (New) The acidic cleaning block of claim 19, wherein the cleaning block contains at least two acids selected from the group consisting of adipic, succinic, glutaric, and mixtures thereof.

23. (New) The acidic cleaning block of claim 19, wherein the ratio of citric acid to the second acid is (20 to 60) : (20 to 60).

24. (New) The acidic cleaning block of claim 19, further comprising a third acid selected from the group consisting of lactic acid, phosphoric acid, alkyl benzene sulfonic acid, alkanesulfonic acid having 1 to 4 carbon atoms in the alkyl chain, and mixtures thereof.

25. (New) The acidic cleaning block of claim 19, further comprising lactic acid.

26. (New) The acidic cleaning block of claim 19, wherein the ratio of citric acid, to the second acid to the third acid is (20 to 60) : (20 to 60) : (10 to 30).
27. (New) The acidic cleaning block of claim 19, further comprising at least one surfactant selected from the group consisting of nonionic, anionic, cationic surfactants, and mixtures thereof.
28. (New) The acidic cleaning block of claim 19, wherein the cleaning block is surrounded by a plastic capsule.
29. (New) The acidic cleaning block of claim 19, wherein the plastic capsule is substantially polyethylene.
30. (New) The acidic cleaning block of claim 19, wherein the acidic cleaning block remain solid up to temperatures of 35 °C.